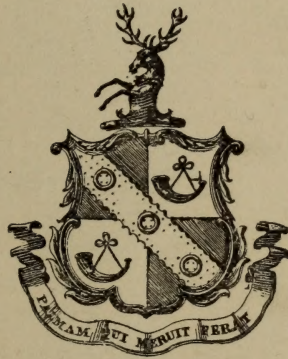
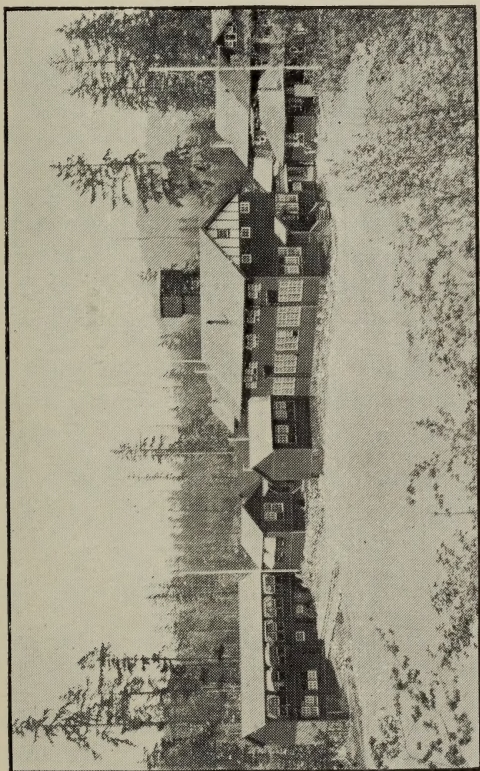


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SHAWNIGAN LAKE SCHOOL, VANCOUVER ISLAND, B.C.

EDITORIAL

ON July 2nd we broke up for the summer holidays after a most inspiring year of work and play.

In games we had a very full share of success, and in school results we had every reason to be gratified. Much of our all-round prosperity was due to our Prefects, and we are very happy in having J. D. Groves back as Head Prefect.

In the Lent Term, the weather being kind, we played more football than usual, and the First Eleven developed into a really good team, while the "Under 15" team was unbeaten. We secured the Wilson Cup again and also the Duncan Cup; the latter will make its permanent home here now.

Bishop Schofield was kind enough to arrange a date and hold a Confirmation Service in the Church; thirteen candidates were presented.

We have a regular weekly Celebration in the school now, so that every boy has an opportunity of reminding himself of the Bishop's very inspiring address.

The Concert was held, as usual, in the afternoon.

A number of boys were able to go to Victoria to see the "All Blacks" play, a privilege and a lesson much appreciated.

The golf course is being gradually improved and several "natural bunkers" have been removed with the aid of powder.

The new playing field is also beginning to look as if it might be in full use in a year or two, as a good deal of work has been done on it. Friends of the school have made this possible, and the Juniors will be able to play football on it next term.

We had a most delightful lantern lecture from the Rev. C. B. Price, on a "Tour Round the World," one of the most

interesting we have ever had. Mr. Price was kind enough to stay for the week-end and preach to us on Sunday morning.

We also had a very interesting sketch from Mr. Hutchins, whose whistling, bird imitations and cartoons were much enjoyed. Another interesting talk, helped by a moving picture machine, was given by Mr. Wilkinson, of the Forestry Association.

Our old friend, Capt. F. B. Noble, very kindly piloted Dr. M. J. Rendall up to the school, and for all too short a time we were honoured by hearing words of genuine inspiration from the late headmaster of Winchester—and, to use words of his own, spoken many years ago, “a sense of ecstasy and wonder” pervaded our own Big School.

Our five entrants for Junior Matriculation were all successful, although Halley and Crisp had to take Latin Authors again. Musgrave received partial standing in Senior Matriculation, Biology proving too much for him.

Three old “Head Boys” (one bringing his wife with him) and several other Old Boys came up during the holidays; we hope they realize what a pleasure it was to see them again.

This term the Old Boys’ Match was a great success, 18 Old Boys arriving for lunch and staying until late that evening.

At the end of the Summer Term we said a sorrowful good-bye to Mr. Hicks, who has for the past four years so loyally and conscientiously done his best for the school. Also to Mr. Skinner, who has written since to say that he is back in Jamaica.

Mr. F. J. Stanton, who has had experience of our boys before at Trinity College School, and Mr. G. H. Dowker, have taken their places.

Mr. G. B. Benson has left the University School and started on a venture of his own by opening the “Ganges Preparatory School” on Salt Spring Island. We wish him every success.

Sixteen boys left in July and thirty new boys arrived in September, hurriedly we had to arrange another dormitory.

Ferguson and Ripley are the two new Prefects.

FOOTBALL SEASON, 1924-25.

For the third year we were successful in winning the Wilson Cup, for teams under 15; and the Duncan Business Men's Cup, for teams under 16.

Instead of playing for the Wilson Cup in a knock-out Tournament, a league was formed amongst all the competing schools, each team playing every one of its opponents in 'home' and 'away' fixtures. This was a great improvement and caused much greater interest than under the old system.



Our first eleven was quite a useful team; Best i was always a tower of strength at centre-half, and towards the end of the season the forwards began really to play together; their shooting improved, and from a collection of moderately useful players they developed into a really dangerous combination.

In our Cup-team, the defence was the strong point, the backs and goal-keeper were always good, but the weakness in front of goal was very marked amongst the forwards.

The Fixture Card was :

Date	Opponents	Ground	Result
Nov. 1, 1924.....	*St. Michael's.....	Home	Won 1-0
Nov. 1, 1924.....	St. Michael's 3rd XI.....	Home	Won 1-0
Nov. 5, 1924.....	Duncan High School.....	Duncan	Won 2-1
Nov. 8, 1924.....	*St. Aidan's.....	Victoria	Won 6-1
Nov. 8, 1924.....	Foul Bay	Victoria	Lost 0-2
Nov. 19, 1924.....	Oak Bay High.....	Victoria	Lost 1-2
Nov. 22, 1924.....	*Collegiate.....	Victoria	Won 3-0
Nov. 26, 1924.....	Duncan Men.....	Home	Lost 0-5
Nov. 29, 1924.....	*St. Aidan's.....	Home	Won 3-0
Dec. 6, 1924.....	*St. Michael's.....	Victoria	Won 1-0

Lent Term, 1925

March 5, 1925.....	Duncan Men.....	Duncan	Lost 1-3
March 14, 1925.....	Cranleigh House.....	Home	Won 6-2
March 21, 1925.....	*Duncan Schools.....	Duncan	Won 2-0

*Denotes Cup Match.

SCHOOL vs. DUNCAN HIGH SCHOOL.

Played on November 5, at Duncan, resulting in a win for the School, 2—1.

Duncan were the first to score and things looked dangerous until after half-time. The School team then pulled themselves together and, after some useful combination on the part of the halves and forwards, equalized the score.

The issue remained in doubt until a few minutes before time, when Musgrave, making full use of his speed, ran through and won the match with a well placed shot.

School — Wallbridge; Halley, Roaf ii; Haddon, Best i, Hodgson; Macdonald i, Melrose, Groves, Musgrave, Bastin.

SCHOOL vs. ST. MICHAEL'S

Played in Victoria on December 6th.

This was one of the best matches played by our cup-team and they had to work hard to get the one goal which won the match.

Added interest was given to the game, it being in the nature of a cup final. The School had won every cup match

played so far, and a win against St. Michael's meant winning the Cup for the third year running.

Our defence was good, Reaf ii again showed his excellent control of the ball, his cool and accurate passing being well worthy of mention.

Haddon played well at centre-half, and was responsible for the only goal scored.

School — Wallbridge; Roaf ii (Capt.), Best ii; Ripley Haddon, McIntosh; Walkem, Macdonald i, Rochfort, Bastin, Lacon.

SCHOOL vs. DUNCAN—(Cup Match)

Played at Duncan on March 21st, 1925.

The final score was 2—0; Shawnigan thus winning the Cup for the third year running.

For the School, Best i played a fine game. The forwards, though weak in front of goal, combined well together.

School—Wallbridge; Roaf ii, Best ii; Ripley, Best i (capt.) Ferguson; Bastin, Hodgson, Groves, Macdonald i, Walkem.

CRICKET

Although not up to the standard of our football, cricket certainly has improved. The team was much stronger in bowling than in batting, though towards the end of the season one or two people began to see the advantages of playing with a straight bat.

The first XI did not do well against University School, mainly owing to the painful attacks of nerves which seemed to seize each batsman in turn as he approached the wicket.

We were successful in both matches against Cowichan 2nd XI, also against the Shawnigan Lake team.

School vs. University School

Played at Shawnigan on May 16th. University School batted first and were soon out for 24. Our bowl-

ing was good, Best i taking 5 wickets for 6 runs. The School replied with 45, Roaf ii and Best i putting on 29 runs. In the second innings University School did better and put on 53 runs before being all out. With only 33 to make to win the match, Shawnigan had an attack of nerves, and Holms and Gordon, aided by some very good fielding, dismissed the School side for 19 runs.



University School brought up a number of spectators who all enjoyed a picnic lunch by the lake, the weather being perfect.

UNIVERSITY SCHOOL

1st Innings		2nd Innings	
Skillings, c Best i, b Haddon.....	2	b Haddon	2
Gordon, b Best i.....	3	c Rochfort, b Groves	4
Murphy, b Best i.....	6	c Best ii, b Haddon.....	5
B. S. Tye, run out.....	5	b Best i	6
Tisdall, b Best i.....	3	c Melrose, b Halley.....	7
Cabeldu, b Best i.....	0	b Best i	4
Lambley, b Best ii.....	0	c Groves, b Best ii.....	1
D. H. Tye, roun out.....	0	b Best ii	3
Holms, b Best ii.....	0	b Best ii	0
Bernard, not out.....	0	c Melrose, b Lacon.....	13
Morant, c Ferguson, b Best i....	0	not out	4
Extras	5	Extras	4
Total.....	24	Total.....	53

SCHOOL

1st Innings		2nd Innings	
Melrose, b Holms	3	run out	1
Halley, b Gordon	2	b Holms	3
Best i, b Holms	11	lbw Holms	0
Groves, run out	3	b Holms	0
Best ii, c Skillings, b Gordon.....	0	b Holms	0
Roaf ii, b Holms	18	c Skillings, b Gordon.....	5
Ferguson, c and b Gordon.....	1	hit wicket Gordon.....	0
Rochfort, b Holms	0	c Tye, b Gordon.....	4
Haddon, c Tisdall, b Gordon.....	0	b Holms	0
Macdonald i, not out	0	b Gordon	1
Lacon, c Murphy, b Holms.....	0	not out	4
Extras	7	Extras	1
Total.....	45	Total.....	19

School vs. Cowichan 'B'

On Wednesday, May 20th, the School played Cowichan 'B' team at Duncan and won by 37 runs. Our fielding was much better; Cowichan were all out for 71, Groves taking 4 wickets for 9 runs.

The School replied with 107, Mr. Lonsdale being top scorer with 40 runs.

COWICHAN "B"

S. Kirkham, b Groves	6
A. W. Hood, c Roaf ii, b Groves	9
G. L. Pearce, c Best, b Ellissen	0
N. Maynard, c Macdonald, b Groves	13
L. W. Neel, b Best i.....	0
A. H. Scott, b Groves	6
Col. Hodding, b Best i.....	4
E. W. Carr-Hilton, c Groves b Best i	1
D. I. Dunlop, st Lonsdale, b Best ii	16
G. G. Baiss, b Best ii.....	19
W. Corbishley, not out	1
Extras	5
Total	70

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Walker, lbw Maynard	1
Macdonald, c Corbishley, b Hilton	0
Roaf ii, b Baiss	3
M. A. Ellissen, c Baiss, b Dunlop	35
C. W. Lonsdale, b Scott.....	40
Best i, c Kirkham, b Dunlop	0
Groves, c Maynard, b Dunlop	1
Melrose, b Hilton	4
Best ii, c Neel, b Maynard....	6
Musgrave, not out	8
Haddon, c Kirkham, b Maynard	2
Extras	7
Total	107

School vs. Cowichan 'B'

A return match was played in Duncan on June 10th against Cowichan 'B', and resulted in a closer finish, the School winning, however, by 14 runs. Our bowling was not so strong and our fielding was poor, with the result that Cowichan made 103 before being dismissed.

The School then went in and made 117; Musgrave playing a very nice innings for 17 not out.

Cowichan very sportingly insisted on the School having a second innings; wherein Major Vine demonstrated what could be done with underhand lobs. He proved too much for the School; Musgrave alone holding his end up and being again not out, this time for 34.

THE SCHOOL

1st Innings		2nd Innings	
Halley, b Pearce	0	not out	5
Melrose, b Vine	1	c Charter, b Hood.....	1
Roaf ii, run out	5	c Porter, b Vine.....	4
M. A. Ellissen, c Hawkins b Hood	40	did not bat.....	
C. W. Lonsdale, b Hood.....	32	did not bat	
Best i, b Hood	0	b Vine	3
Groves, c Green, b Vine.....	3	c Vine, b Hood	3
Rochfort, b Vine	2	b Vine	0
Musgrave, not out	17	not out	34
Best ii, b Vine	10	b Vine	0
Haddon, c Charter, b Vine.....	0	did not bat	
Extras	7	Extras	4
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Total.....	117	(for 6 wickets).....	54

COWICHAN "B"

A. W. Hood, b Haddon.....	20	W. Corbishley, run out	0
A. Charter, b Ellissen	6	S. R. Kirkham, b Best i.....	9
N. L. Maynard, c Best i, b Haddon	0	E. C. Hawkins, b Best i.....	0
A. E. Green, b Groves	3	Col. Hodding, not out	13
Maj. Vine, st Lonsdale, b Groves	23	G. L. Pearce, b Best ii.....	15
A. J. Porter, b Groves	8	Extras	6
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		Total.....	103

School vs. University School

The return match against University School was played in Victoria on Saturday, June 13th, and resulted in the School being beaten by an innings and 48 runs. University School batted first and made 130, Tye i and ii making a first wicket stand of 72 before being separated. Our fielding was very poor with the exception of a brilliant catch by Best i at mid-on.

The School only made 57 and were compelled to follow on, Roaf ii and Halley being the only batsmen to reach double figures.

Holms and a severe attack of nerves proved too much, however, and we were all out in the second innings for 25.

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Tye i, b Haddon	27	Colton, c Best i, b Groves.....	6
Tye ii, c Macdonald,		Lambley, b Best i	13
b Haddon	45	Kerr ii, c Macdonald, b Best i	12
Gordon ii, b Haddon	12	Tisdall, c Musgrave, b Best i	0
Gordon i, b Best ii	0	Holms, not out	9
Binkley, b Best ii	0	Extras	4
Tye iii, c Melrose, b Groves	2	Total	130

SCHOOL

1st Innings		2nd Innings	
Halley, lbw Gordon ii	12	b Holms	12
Melrose, b Gordon ii	6	b Holms	5
Musgrave, c Lambley,			
b Gordon ii	6	b Holms	0
Groves, b Gordon ii	0	b Holms	1
Best i, b Tye i	6	b Gordon i	1
Roaf ii, b Tisdall	17	lbw Gordon ii	1
Best ii, b Tye i	5	b Holms	3
Haddon, c Tisdall, b Gordon ii	1	c Holms, b Gordon	0
Rochfort, c Tisdall, b Tye i.....	2	b Holms	2
Macdonald i, b Gordon ii.....	1	not out	0
Ferguson, not out	0	c Lambley, b Holms.....	0
Extras	1	Extras	0
Total.....	57	Total.....	25

School vs. Shawnigan Lake

This match was played on *Saturday, June 20th, and resulted in an easy win for the School by an innings and 54 runs.

THE SCHOOL

Melrose, c wkt, b Rathbone..	13	Rochfort, not out	8
Halley, c Rathbone, b Davies	2	Best ii, not out.....	3
M. A. Ellissen, b Davies.....	17	Ferguson, did not bat.....	
C. W. Lonsdale, retired.....	34	Haddon, did not bat	
Roaf ii, c Davies, b Rathbone	4	Extras	5
Best i, b Davies	15	(Innings declared)	104
Groves, b Davies	3		

SHAWNIGAN LAKE

1st Innings			
Habershon, b Groves	0	b Lonsdale	0
Walker, b Haddon	0	c and b Ellissen	0
Davies, st Lonsdale, b Best i....	4	c Ferguson, b Lonsdale.....	0
Rathbone, c Lonsdale, b Best ii	4	b Ellissen	2
Cuzner, run out	0	b Lonsdale	4
Gibson, c and b Best ii	0	b Ellissen	1
Pelland, b Best i	1	st Melrose, b Lonsdale	2
Yates, b Best i	6	st Melrose, b Lonsdale	14
Hurley, not out	0	c Lonsdale, b Ellissen	3
Lamont, run out	0	b Lonsdale	3
Livington, b Best i	0	not out	0
Extras	1	Extras	5
Total.....	16	Total.....	34

3rd XI vs. Leinster School

Played on Wednesday, June 10th, the School winning by 40 runs.

McIntosh made 30 runs for the 3rd XI and Lacon succeeded in taking 7 wickets for 15 runs.

SCHOOL 3rd XI.		LEINSTER SCHOOL	
Meritt, b Hurley ii	0	Oldham, b Redpath	0
Lake i, b Hurley ii	5	Forshaw iii, b Lacon	6
Redpath, b Hurley ii	4	Hurley ii, c Lindsay, b Lacon ..	9
Skrimshire, b Hurley ii	5	Colthurst, run out	1
Lacon, b Oldham	0	Macdonald ii, b Lacon	0
McIntosh, c and b Hurley ii ..	30	Hurley i, b Redpath	4
Larsen, run out	6	Forshaw i, b Lacon	1
Cameron, c Forshaw ii,		Piton, b Redpath	1
b Forshaw i	10	Higgins, b Lacon	0
Lindsay, c Forshaw iii,		Forshaw ii, not out	0
b Hurley	4	Noble, b Lacon	2
Malkin, c Forshaw iii,		Extras	9
b Oldham	3		
Draeseke, not out	0		
Extras	6		
Total.....	73	Total.....	33

TENNIS—GOLF—BADMINTON

The School tennis court, constructed last year after much labour by certain energetic spirits, was possible for play by those not too particular in the matter of surface.

In addition we also had our usual one day a week on the wooden courts belonging to Col. Eardley-Wilmot, where some interesting tournaments were played.

The golf course was very popular in the early part of the year, and various players reported some very good, not to say miraculous, scores, considering the difficulties of the course.

The drought this summer did not assist our efforts at seeding, but now that so many of the worst stumps have been blasted out and a much larger area cleared, we have a promise of a course that will be well worth playing over, even if the 'greens' do not exactly live up to their name.

All these improvements are doubly gratifying when we consider that all the work has been done by ourselves. No

money has had to be expended except for grass seed and stumping-powder; the funds for the purchase of the former were forthcoming through the generosity of the Keeper of the Privy Purse, while the latter was paid for out of the Golf Fund.

The Badminton Club held several tournaments during the year. Best i and Melrose were almost invariably winners whenever they played together; these two were very evenly matched, and a single between them was always worth watching.

Some of our players both at Badminton and Tennis, seem to think that the only requirement necessary for these games is the ability to hit harder than the other fellow, entirely forgetting that it is the well-placed shot which counts.

LIBRARY NOTES

We have to acknowledge various gifts of books during the past year, which brings out total to well over five hundred volumes.

The Library and Reading Room have proved a great boon to many, as is shown by the large numbers using the room during wet weather and in the cold winter evenings.

We have to acknowledge the receipt of the following contemporaries: "The Croftonian" and "Black and Red."

BOXING

The loss of Capt. Kingscote, who for some years has taken boxing, was very keenly felt; but some of the fights showed a certain amount of science which proves that his teaching is not forgotten. The same ring as last year was used and Mr. Lonsdale acted as referee.

Results

Heavy Heavies (over 130 lbs.) this year contained a lot of weight but little talent. Melrose, who won the cup, is a very fast fighter and he had no really difficult men to beat, but Musgrave and Ferguson put up very good fights against him.

Heavies (110 to 130 lbs.) won by Groves, who so far has never been beaten in his own weight. The most interesting fight was that between Groves and Ripley, in which the latter fought a sufficiently plucky fight to win the Good Losers Cup. He lasted three rounds with Groves and, while taking most of the punishment, managed to keep his opponent busy all the time.

Middle-weights (95 to 110 lbs.) won by Hodgson, but contained nothing but a great deal of slogging.

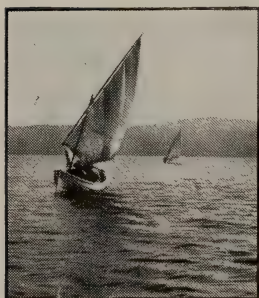
Light-weights (85 to 95 lbs.), won by Macdonald ii. This was not a very interesting weight, as Macdonald ii out-classed his opponent too easily.

Feather-weights (75 to 85 lbs.), won by Redpath, who beat Harcourt in the final. Harcourt should develop into a good boxer in time.



Bantam-weights (up to 75 lbs.) This was probably the most interesting of all the weights as it contained three very promising boxers: Marshall, Allen and Lindsay. Allen won in the finals, having beaten Marshall in the prelims in a very even fight which went to 4 rounds before a decision could be reached. Of the two Marshall is the better boxer but Allen is the more aggressive fighter.

SWIMMING AND BOATING



The first of May saw the resumption of early morning plunges, which called forth the usual keen competition for the honour of being first in—and first out. It is, unfortunately, not on record upon whom this coveted distinction fell; but strong suspicion falls upon Mr. Musgrave as the probable hero. However this may be, it is certain that when afternoon swimming

began a little later, Mr. Musgrave succeeded in the few short weeks of the term in converting the considerable class of non-swimmers into a band of swimmers rejoicing in the water with all the confidence of veterans.

After a short period of instruction under oars only, sailing was resumed. E. Musgrave, Groves and Roaf ii displayed the best seamanship, especially when sailing without rudders. A triangular course was laid out and there were some very good races. We inaugurated a school boat race. All the boys were divided into three classes according to their weight, and crews consisted of one boy from each class. The various heats, particularly the final, the result of which is mentioned under the heading of Sports, produced much keenness and enthusiasm among both crews and spectators. Mr. Musgrave is to be congratulated for the pains he took in making this interesting innovation the success it undoubtedly was.

SHOOTING NOTES

The Snap Shooting competition for the Shield presented by Major Curwen, took place on Wednesday, July 1st, and was won by Crisp with a score of 12 out of a possible 25.

Scores

	At Disappearing Target 5 Shots in 30 Secs. Possible 10	At Moving Target 5 Shots in 20 Secs. Possible 15	TOTAL
Crisp	6	6	12
Musgrave	4	6	10
Bastin	2	6	8
Larsen	2	6	8
Roaf ii	2	6	8
Groves	4	3	7
Best i	4	3	7

CHAPEL NOTES

Since the beginning of the Christmas Term, 1924, the Sunday morning services have been held in the big School.

Celebrations of the Holy Communion have been held regularly every Sunday morning in the School Chapel since the departure of the incumbent at the beginning of March.

Sermons have been preached by Rev. C. B. Price, Rev W. J. Crewe, and the Headmaster.

Confirmation was held in All Saints Church by the Bishop of the Diocese, on Friday, March 27th.

The following candidates were presented :

C. E. R. Bazett, G. P. Cameron, C. G. Dixon, H. F. Dixon, R. S. Bowen-Colthurst, E. T. Knight, H. J. Lake, M. Moore, J. A. Macdonald, M. O. P. Rochfort, L. K. Wallbridge, P. E. Haddon, H. G. B. Garrard.

There was a celebration of the Holy Communion in Chapel at 7.30 a.m.

We are very grateful for the following gifts to the Chapel: Frontal and Dorsal, Miss Ravenhill; Brass Altar Vases, Miss Willis and Miss Stone; Lectern Bible, Mrs. Wace; Choir Hymn Books and Psalters, Miss Lonsdale. Subscriptions: Miss Ravenhill, Mrs. Cameron, Mrs. Haddon, Lady Lake, Mrs. Groves, G. H. Dowker, Esq., F. G. Crisp (O.B.), R. P. Mellin (O.B.), S. Morres (O.B.), J. A. Macdonald (O.B.).

Our thanks are due to: Miss Lonsdale for her care of the flowers and music. Mrs. Stanton for her care of the linen. Mrs. Morres for gifts of flowers. A. Crisp for his care of the Chapel.

Chapel Fund—The total amount to date with offertories and subscriptions, amounts to \$355.00.

SPORTS

In spite of the almost tropical heat experienced at the end of the summer term, coupled with the difficulties connected with the daily voyages to Duncan for the exams, our sports were a distinct success.

It was decided not to give prizes for each event, but to award points for land and water races, such points to go to-

wards Senior and Junior Championships, for which cups were presented.

Undoubtedly the most popular event was the Land Obstacle Race, for which there were some 50 entries. The spectacle of certain out-of-breath gentlemen endeavoring to masticate a very dry 'cracker', at the same time swallowing a bottle of 'Howdy' or other abomination, will live in everyone's memory..

Most of the land sports were run off by June 30th, the finals of the water sports being held on July 1st, with prize-giving afterwards.

A most interesting event was the Relay race, in which teams representing Cowichan, Vancouver, Victoria, The Islands and U.S.A. competed over a course divided into four relays: Bicycle, 300 yards; run, 200 yards; row, 200 yards; and swim, 50 yards.

The winners of events were as follows:

(3 points for 1st, 2 for 2nd, 1 for 3rd.)

Event	1st	2nd	3rd
Senior Championship.....	Melrose (18 points)	Bastin (10 points)	_____
Junior Championship.....	Merritt (13 points)	Lindsay (8 points)	_____
100 yds. open.....	Bastin	Melrose	Best i
100 yds. junior.....	Lindsay	Barclay i	Merritt
Long Jump, open.....	Melrose	Groves	Best i
Long Jump, junior.....	Lindsay	Barclay i	Merritt
High Jump, open.....	Melrose	Best i	Best ii
High Jump, junior.....	Merritt	Johnson	_____
Cross-country, open.....	Bastin	Melrose	Groves
Cross-country, junior.....	Merritt	Lindsay	Barclay i
School Handicap.....	Bastin	Halley	Marshall
Land Obstacle Race.....	Best i and Melrose (tie)	_____	Macdonald i
Sack Race, junior.....	Piddington ii	Deming	Hutchinson
50 yds. Swimming, open...	Musgrave	Cameron	Melrose
50 yds. Swimming, junior..	Macdonald ii	Merritt	Lake ii
Diving, open.....	Melrose	Ferguson	Musgrave
Diving, junior.....	Merritt	Loggin	Barclay i
Water Obstacle Race.....	Musgrave	Melrose	Cameron
Non-Swimmers Race.....	Marshall	Colthurst ii	Cooke ii
Relay Race.....	Victoria	Vancouver	Cowichan

(Victoria Team: Haddon, Cameron, Bastin, Redpath).

Tug-of-War: Island beat the Mainland.

Boat Race: 1st Crew, Groves, Cameron, Lindsay.

Sisters' Rowing Race: Walcot—Wace.

Old Boys' Rowing Race: Watson—Homer.

THINGS WE WANT TO KNOW

WHETHER it wouldn't save time if a certain master took his form over to his shack instead of bringing his shack over to his form each day.

WHETHER Brooks has consented to read "O Canada" yet.

WHO fixed the keys on the piano during prayers so that Best ii couldn't play.

AND WHETHER it wouldn't be a good idea to do it to some other people as well.

WHY Crisp's dog is somewhat unpopular in Form VI.

AND WHETHER it has anything to do with the strange diet of library books, etc., on which he is fed.

IF Catherine II. would not have been rather peeved to hear herself referred to as Catherine Minor, as someone suggested the other day in Form II.

WHETHER Barclay ii got off his defaulters drill because he was "trying to give it up for Lent."

IF Wallbridge has found out yet who was the Edict of Nantes

IF Stewart still thinks that Cambridge is the 'rottenest High School in B C'

WHETHER there are any other tunes besides "God Save the King" and the "Nunc Dimittis" that could be played between 6 and 6.30 in the Music (?) Room.

WHETHER Mr. Musgrave really liked taking a cold plunge in the morning.

IF IT ISN'T easier for all concerned to say "GO" to start a race, rather than to fire endless rounds of blank cartridges which wont go off.

WHETHER Best i or Walkem tasted the 'Pop' they drank in the Obstacle Race.

WHY Halley didn't turn up in a pair of 'Oxford bags' at the Old Boys' match, like some other people we saw.

WHETHER Inglis's footer shorts in the same match might not have been called "Minus Fours."

WHETHER anything happened at meetings of the Tuck Shop Committee besides the resignation of the president.

LETTER FROM FORM IV.

Dear Mr. Editor

It has been brought to our notice that the first Form addressed you in language which we are sure they could not understand—in fact we ourselves were almost at a loss to elucidate the source of the more recondite of the expressions which we might term exotic—considering their origin.

Our point, however, is that we consider it to be beneath the dignity of the Fourth Form to allow mere specks, atoms or excrescences to use longer words than we can, and we hereby beg you to allow us to monopolize several pages at least of your periodical to maintain our dignity. For this we need tender no apology, for have we not the Best boy in the School as well as his *proxime accessit*? Have we not the most talkative, as well as the most ladylike? Have we not the most energetic, as well as the most lethargic? But why labour the point? We know it, you know it, everybody knows it. Who's everybody?—pardon, we were lapsing into the vernacular of the great game-loving, non-playing fraternity who decorate the bleachers while they melodiously masticate the pungent Chicle.

English composition is not our forte, so we are told, but we feel that it is about time to start a new paragraph, and that means beginning a new subject. And what theme can be nearer to our hearts than—grub? The emasculated creature that poses as a schoolboy in the pages of those dogmatic writers who profess to depict the life at such “academies of learning” (sic) as this, would have said “Work.” But we know better. The cardiac apparatus of the fathers of the next generation (for is not the boy “the father of the man”?—vide the obiter dicta of Sunday School Tale Tellers) is situated in what we were told to call, at the select Kindergarten which we attended in our callow youth, the “epigastric regions.” That statement is, however, a terminological inexactitude if it be intended to apply to the whole Form, for our Timid Member (if we may so judge him from the way he hangs his head and blushes) must keep his heart constantly in his mouth and one of us, we fear, keeps his in his boots, if their size be any indication—

for surely they can't all be full of feet. But revenons a nos moutons—(did we mention that we are very strong in French though we haven't all been to Paris?); the fate of Tuck lies practically in our hands as nobly patriotic and voluntary members of a certain committee.

Comparisons are odious; we will, therefore, not endeavour to make any between ourselves and other Forms. Let it rest at what we all know in our inner consciousness—there is no Form like the Fourth Form. Floreat sempiterno.

Your devoted readers,

The IV.

SCHOOL CRICKET

(Extract from Score Book: 'Batsman out—"Killed Wicket"')

I had a fearful nightmare a day or two ago;
My nerves were overwrought, perhaps from scraping the 'cello.
I was playing in a cricket match
With twenty-two a side.
The bowler had just bowled a ball,
The Umpire shouted "Wide."

Now you'll admit that sort of thing has often happ'd before.
But the following proceedings I am sure you never saw.

For the bowler seized the Umpire
And brained him with a bat.
Then he turned him over on his face,
And said "Umpire, how was that?"

The batsman at the other end, a slogger of renown,
Produced a gun from 'neath his pads and shot his wickets
down.

The wicket-keeper in dismay
Let out three dismal wails,
And then lay writhing on the ground,
He'd swallowed both the bails.

The only person on the field who tried to keep his head,
Was the other wretched Umpire—his brother Ump was dead.

"Gentlemen," he said at last,
"That's hardly playing cricket,
The batsman at my end is out,
For having killed his wicket!"

THE SCHOOL CONCERT

On March 27th the Annual Concert was held in the Big School which had been decorated for the occasion with daffodils and ferns. The large audience of parents and boys and friends of the school, which filled the room, was obviously and frankly delighted with the music.

The programme consisted of songs, violin solos, orchestral pieces and physical drill, and a glance through the names of the composers will show that the music which the boys have been taught is such as is calculated to train their taste for what is really good. Miss Lonsdale's painstaking tuition has borne good fruit and it is seldom that an audience has the opportunity of hearing such delightful singing as that of the junior boys.

Not only did they sing well but they showed that they had developed a keen sense of pitch and rhythm, while their ability to bring out the dramatic moments in "The Knight and The Dragon" and "The Mad Dog" was really remarkable.

The orchestra was founded last November. Before that time only two members had been learning their instruments. It consisted of first and second violins, double bass, flute, piccolos, oboe, clarinet, horn, trumpets. The solitary 'cellist was unfortunately ill and so the double bass was responsible for the solo in the "Hungarian Song" and, for a beginner, his *sostenuto* was really good. The oboe, after weeks of wrestling with his very difficult instrument, played the solo parts in the "Lotus Flower" (Schumann), amazingly. In the "Desert Caravan" one could really imagine one saw and heard the camels in the desert. This was due to the weird effects of the clarinet and to the rhythm of the basses.

The accompaniments to Miss Lonsdale's violin solos were on the whole sympathetic even though, on account of Bishop's illness, one had to be undertaken at the last minute with very little practice, so that the violin had to accompany the accompanist! All the songs were accompanied by the boys who were quite on the alert.

Not the least pleasurable items on the programme were the songs sung by Mr. Ellissen. The school appreciates his kindness in always being ready to sing and insisted on encores.

The singing of the Seniors was full of energy, and their sense of pitch, rhythm and style is very pleasing.

In conclusion we feel that we must try to convey the deep sense of obligation which we feel to Miss Lonsdale. The school is most fortunate in having an instructor so able and so willing to devote her time and energy to encouraging our school music.

The Physical Drill was executed **with a precision** and smartness which showed careful training on the part of the teacher and keenness on the part of the pupils. Considerable credit is due to Crisp on these accounts.

Programme

1. THE ORCHESTRA—

The Lotus FlowerSchumann

Hungarian SongEsterhazy

2. SONGS—

The Seekers (Masefield)Dyson

The Cavalier (Masefield)Gardiner

3. VIOLIN—

Farewell to CucullainKreisler

Fair RosmarinKreisler

4. SONGS—

Aloft and AloftRathbone

The Mad Dog (Goldsmith)Dunhill

The Juniors

5. SONG—The Floral DanceK. Moss

Mr. M. A. Ellissen

6. PHYSICAL DRILL.

7. PART SONG—The Chase (Oxenford)German

8. VIOLIN—

Elegie des ErinnyesMassenet

Sarabande und TambourinLeclair

9. SONGS—

The Ferry (Rosetti)Ireland

The Knight and the DragonDunhill

The Juniors

Flute—Open the mouth wide, ram the instrument well down the throat and then scream. An occasional movement on the keys is said to increase the beauty of the notes.

Piccolo—Same as for flute; care being taken to avoid swallowing the thing, as this produces a very acute form of indigestion.

Conductor—A few ounces of cotton-wool or blotting-paper placed in the ears before starting will greatly assist the most nervous conductors. A slight knowledge of music is helpful.

In my next article I shall discuss the higher branches of orchestral work.

(Not if we can help it.—Ed.)

MAY 24TH, 1925

In spite of the rumours started in last year's issue of the magazine, Parksville was again the objective of our Empire Day holiday.

This time we attempted a more ambitious scheme; the remainder of the school who had not gone home for the weekend (some 28 people in all), spending the night at the Island Hall and thus having two most enjoyable days by the sea.

Early on Saturday morning the procession of gaily decorated cars left the school, arriving with streamers somewhat bedraggled, at Englishman's River in time for a picnic lunch.

After a suitable interval for cud-chewing and other rural pastimes, the fleet moved off once more, bound for Parksville. Here the afternoon was spent in bathing, playing golf on the sands and enjoying life generally, till supper, a meal which seemed to defeat even our most stalwart feeders, who were gradually forced to give up the unequal struggle with many regretful looks and much easing off of belts.

Another short interval for reflection, and then things having assumed their normal shape, more games and finally to bed.

There was some slight confusion the next morning owing to somebody having arranged to be "called early Mother dear," in order that he should be Queen of the May. This

necessitated the entire hotel being woken up to share in the revels.

After breakfast, more golf on the sands, tennis for others and so forth, until about 11.30 a.m., when the whole party re-embarked and proceeded to Mrs. Tryon's, about 5 miles on, where another eating competition took place.

Those who were then able to move, chased a golf ball about, or played games, while their more replete brethren composed themselves for a little slumber against a log or anything handy.

After a bathe, supper and a camp fire. Finally the remnants gathered themselves together, minus the juniors who had left earlier in the afternoon, packed everything into the cars and started for home, which was reached without mishap towards midnight.

To add that the trip was successful would be superfluous; suffice it to say that it was one of the most enjoyable holidays that Shawnigan Lake School can arrange, and those who have sampled former efforts will know what that means.

EXAMINATION RESULTS

E. Musgrave passed his Senior Matriculation.

J. J. D. Groves, A. G. Crisp, W. G. H. Roaf, J. L. Roaf, J. K. Halley, passed the Junior Matriculation.

G. Best took the Departmental Examination and passed into third year.

J. E. L. Griffiths, W. S. Ferguson, H. J. Lake, P. J. Cook, C. S. Melrose, passed into second year.

July 1st was Prize Day. The finals of all water sports were held immediately after lunch, after which the large crowd of parents and visitors assembled in Big School for prize giving.

The Headmaster, in a short speech, summarized the work and progress of the School during the past year as being one of the most successful in our history.

Dr. Wace then distributed the prizes.

PRIZE LIST

Form VI.—Roaf ii.
Form V.—Best i.
Form IV.—Griffith.
Form III.—Colthurst i.
Form II.—Douglas i.
Form I.—Woodman.
French—Musgrave.
Maths.—Cook, i.
Music—Olsen.
General Progress—Cameron, Larsen.
Reading—Groves.
Efficiency—Halley, Crisp.
Photography—Lake i.
Natural History Collection—Moore and Roaf ii.
Snap Shooting—Crisp.
Dormitory Shield—No. 4, Ripley.
Sports Cup (Senior)—Melrose.
Sports Cup (Junior)—Merritt.
Old Boy's Race—Watson.
Sisters Race—Ruth Walcot.

Prizes were kindly presented by the following: Mrs. Wells, Mrs. F. Stanton, Mrs. Lampman, Rev. E. M. Willis, Miss Lonsdale, Miss K. E. Lonsdale, The Bishop of Columbia, Mrs. Tryon, Mrs. Hartl.

HEARD OVER THE RADIO

THAT Form VI. is in future to be known as "The Kennels."

THAT Culloden Moor was the general who defeated Bonnie Prince Charlie.

THAT serious earthquake disturbances have been felt in the lower regions of Form IV.

THAT the Junior's seven o'clock train was derailed the other night, and the service has since been discontinued.

THAT a Ford is to be permanently attached to the front of the school bus for towing purposes.

THAT Mr. Skinner's Ford coupe really has been sold.

THAT Wallbridge suggests carrying the Tuck Shop around in a trunk on a wheelbarrow, preceded we suppose by the Chaplain carrying a red flag and calling out "Bring Out Your Dead."

MUSINGS FROM A MASTER'S DIARY

Monday again! How regularly Sunday is followed by Monday. Yes, and how truly it has been said that the school-master lives in a little world of his own—and what a world! It is a world in which trivialities assume the proportions of questions of real import, and petty annoyances a weight almost too great to bear.

Why do so many men become schoolmasters? Ask me another. There are plenty of occupations in which they would be much better suited—book-agents, vaudeville artists, musicians, photographers, jig-saw puzzle specialists, under house-keepers. I have heard of one even, who became a chocolate-bar seller till he got into difficulties in computing the profits, or perhaps the losses, and had to go back to teaching, with the word Arithmetic erased from his credentials.

For myself I always wanted to be a butcher, but failing to realize this ambition, I have fallen back on my second best role—that of educational reformer. In this work I would begin at the common room, with a better understanding in our schools that this apartment does not always derive its name from the character of its occupants, and that what is said within its walls is not necessarily to be published "up the hill" or on the playground.

Next I would tackle the problem of the prevalence of slang, Americanese, and such other "wild tongues." To eradicate these I should at first encourage the boys to learn them, and after a fortnight or so make all language except the most

polished English or French out of bounds. I have constructed the following little scene to illustrate the point:

Kind Matron to youth wishing to get off P.T.: "Well, Binks Minor, how do you feel this morning?"

Binks Minor: "Gosh, lady, I feel like an egg that has hit the floor instead of the toast."

At this moment I rush in (Masters are always active at 7 a.m.) "Yes," I say, in my best punitive manner, "you are that rarest of anomalies, an egg that is too fresh, and as fresh eggs are improved by beating—(rings for prefect to fetch the egg-beater). While waiting for the prefect's return I give my victim a short lesson on the paradox, beginning with the riddle: "When is a fresh egg a bad egg?"

I have been thinking a good deal lately of the wider use of the direct method in teaching. We should get good results in the History of Early Peoples by such experiments as requiring the Vth Form to scratch their heads in illustration of the cave-man's method of making fire—and, incidentally, as an aid to thought. Archeology, also, might be taught by means of excavations in the kitchen-midden of the Ist Form woodbox.

But there's the first bell! I'll go and have a look at the weather chart in Form IV—then fifteen deep breaths, and a few paces in the open air.

THE SPORTSMAN

An Apology

O author witty of a ditty
Of which you were the maker
Grant, I say, forgiveness pray
To me, who am the faker.

PROLOGUE

Oh sportsmen, one and all who shoot,
Just listen for a minute,
Whilst I unfold to you a tale,
With joy (and sorrow) in it.

I

A morting span resolved one day
To have a sholly joot;
And so he took his gorting spun
And bartridges to coot.

II

Across the hill he waily gent
And gearched about for same;
Alas! the bird were scery varce,
The bleather was to wame.

III

But presently he bied a spird
Beside a grunch of bass,
Here was a chance to bake a mag,
He couldn't pet it lass.

IV.

He banced along the glarrels and
Troth biggers then he drew.
My! bat a whang! Indeed, it would
Have stadly bartled you.

V.

The cloke smeared off, and it was seen
That ratters were not might;
The man was bown upon his dack,
The bird was sot in night.

VI.

The kun had gicked and flaid him lat,
But do not top a drear;
The bruise wot gell; the bucky lird
Lill stives, one's had to glear.

Epilogue.

At supper time that night the Staff,
Who gamey meat expected,
To hash and cabbages in lieu,
Perforce, sat down dejected.

—E.M.W.

OLD BOYS' NOTES

There was a most interesting re-union of Old Boys on November 7th, when about sixteen turned up for the Old Boys' match. Later an impromptu concert was held in Big School and the evening closed with the general expression of hope that this might become an annual affair. Thanks to one or two Old Boys an interesting account of this re-union appeared in the Cowichan Leader, dated November 12th.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Robertson paid us a visit in the summer. Robertson is now a law student in the firm of Robertson & Douglas in Vancouver.

Allan Robertson also was up and is the same cheery soul as ever; he is with Messrs. Evans, Coleman & Evans in Vancouver.

Ross Wilson at last dropped in and says he is now working with his father's firm in Victoria.

R. C. Inglis is learning the printer's business and is with the Cowichan Leader in Duncan.

R. Eddison is still at Charterhouse.

T. Eddison has passed all exams well and is now a snottie in H.M.S. Revenge.

J. Mair has arrived at his destination in Kenya Colony.

J. Lander and H. Lander are still at Shrewsbury. The former was not quite so successful with his crew at Henley this year.

L. Stewart Macleod hopes to go to Cambridge next year and is working at home.

M. Magill is living at Shawnigan with his parents.

T. Groves is at the U.B.C.

K. Craig, J. Musgrave, F. Gooch are all in various branches of the automobile business.

F. Musgrave and K. Halley are at the Victoria College.

T. Golby has been to see us and is now a cadet in the "Empress of Canada."

K. Leeming is with the Royal Trust Co. in Victoria.

We hear that George Officer is now a confidential secretary, but we want to hear more of this.

C. Phillipps-Wooley has gone to Stowe.

A. Pooley, R. Mellin, W. Leckie, are all in banks in the Province.

L. W. Neel, c-o. J. H. Whittome & Co. at Duncan.

S. E. Morres was 4th for his year at R.M.C. and is playing left-half for their soccer team.

J. Ross has joined him at R.M.C.

B. Schwengers, c-o. E. G. Prior & Co., Victoria.

J. Slade, E. Hyde-Parker and P. Malkin are in England, the last-named having gone to the Leys School, Cambridge.

R. Walkem is at Upper Canada College and doing well in school and sports, having carried off the Junior Championship his first term.

The Macdonalds are at Kincolith doing private tuition.

W. G. and J. L. Roaf are at the School House, St. Bees, Cumberland, and we hope are receiving as many interesting letters as they are writing.

E. T. Knight has gone to California.

Any letters written to Old Boys may be sent to the School and will be forwarded.

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS

J.D.H.—No, the short notes on the piano are not known as wafers. You are probably confused with the name 'bun-worries' given to certain musical tea-parties.

S.D.F.—An antelope could hardly be called a four-footed animal of South America which eats ants. Nor is Manilla the stuff they put into ice-cream to make it taste, as somebody informed us the other day.

"Musical"—No, a 'cello is not an overgrown violin. A friend of ours who planted a crop of violins last spring and

fed them very carefully on "Fertabs," tells us that it didn't improve the instruments in the least.

H.J.L.—No, Tennyson's Ulysses was not written in 'Quadratic Thirds.'

J.M.L.—No, a museum is not a place to keep music in. Though some of the music we have heard coming from the singing-room might well have been put into a museum.

"Helpful"—We are inclined to agree with your suggestion as to helping Numbers 3 and 4 Divisions to remember their right and left hands. We doubt, however, if parents would approve of their sons appearing home tattooed with an 'R' on one side and an 'L' on the other.


"Curious"—No, the rumoured end of the world on Friday, February 6th, this year, caused no confusion that we remember. The only remark we overheard was that of a member of the VIth Form who murmured, "Oh well, thank Heavens, no P.T. on Saturday."

"Worried"—No, to punctuate means more than knowing when to stop. Taking your sentence, "The driver was not able to punctuate his car," we feel that something more than a pair of brackets would be needed to bring the school 'bus to a full stop.

F.W.I.M.—You are quite right in your description of the early Puritans. You would not have expected to find them in a picture show. Neither were they in the habit of listening in to the sermons of the elders over the radio.

"Sufferer"—Your suggestion that all the members of the orchestra should play the same tune, has been received somewhat coldly. We ourselves belong to a highly trained band and know the difficulties and dangers attending any such proceeding.

"Bar Stin"—Possibly the air in Form VI. does get a trifle blue at times, which may cause it to weigh rather heavy. We doubt, however, if it goes as much as 800 lbs. to the cubic foot. On the other hand, this might account for the difficulty some people seem to find in shooting a goal with a cubic foot of air encased in a piece of leather.

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